

### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-5.

- ~~{e6}~~6. (Currently Amended) An isolated polypeptide comprising:
- (a) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6);
  - (b) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6), lacking its associated signal peptide;
  - (c) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6);
  - (d) the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6), lacking its associated signal peptide; or
  - (e) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 209399;  
wherein said extracellular domain is amino acids 17-234 of SEQ ID NO:6.
- ~~{e7}~~7. (Currently Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 6 comprising the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6).
- ~~{e8}~~8. (Currently Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 6 comprising the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6), lacking its associated signal peptide.
- ~~{e9}~~9. (Currently Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 6 comprising the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6); wherein said extracellular domain is amino acids 17-234 of SEQ ID NO:6.
- ~~{e10}~~10. (Currently Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 6 comprising the amino acid sequence of the extracellular domain of the polypeptide of shown in Figure 6 (SEQ ID NO:6), lacking its associated signal peptide.
- ~~{e11}~~11. (Currently Amended) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 6 comprising the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 209399.

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~~{e12}~~12.      **(Currently Amended)**      A chimeric polypeptide comprising a polypeptide according to Claim ~~4~~6 fused to a heterologous polypeptide.

~~{e13}~~13.      **(Currently Amended)**      The chimeric polypeptide of Claim 12, wherein said heterologous polypeptide is an epitope tag or an Fc region of an immunoglobulin.